Written Answers

- 3106. SHRI JAGAT VIR SINGH DRONA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Government propose to set up a tripartite committee to consider the demands of the sugar industry workers;
- (b) if so, the time by which it is likely to be set up; and
- (c) the details regarding constitution, number of members working system, existence, area and jurisdiction of the said committee?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) There is no proposal to set up a Tripartite Committee for Sugar Industry workers.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

[English]

## Welfare of Labourers in Gulf Countries

3107. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ : SHRI RAM TAHAL CHAUDHARY :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

- (a) whether several travel agencies in big cities are engaged in defrauding a large number of persons of their money on the pretext of getting them lucrative jobs in Gulf countries;
- (b) if so, the number of cases came to the notice of the Government during the last three years;
- (c) the details of agencies against which action has been taken;
- (d) whether the Government propose to bring forward any legislation for foreign going labourers to regulate, recruit, and to look after the welfare of these labourers; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c). During the years 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 a total of 187 complaints were received against the Recruiting Agents registered with the Ministry of Labour. Complaints against Registered Recruiting Agents are enquired into with the help of Police authorities and the concerned Indian Missions abroad and action is taken, as appropriate, in each case in accordance with the provisions of the Emigration Act, 1983 and Rules framed thereunder. Complaints against un-registered recruiting agents are referred to the concerned police authorities for investigation. Complaints against foreign employers are taken up with the Indian Missions abroad. In addition, departmental action is taken against erring agents in terms of

suspension and cancellation of licenses. A list of recruiting agents whose Registration Certificates were suspended/cancelled during the last three years is attached in the statement.

- (d) No. Sir, the provisions of the Emigration Act, 1983 are considered adequate.
  - (e) Does not arise.

## **STATEMENT**

List of Recruiting Agents, registered with the Ministery of Labour under the Emigration Act, 1983 whose Registration Certificates were suspended/Cancelled during the years 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96.

## S.No. Name of Recruiting Agent

- 1. M/s Expo India, Mumbai
- 2. M/s R.K. Enterprises, Mumbai
- 3. M/s Allwyn Travels, Mumbai
- 4. M/s Business Aids, Mumbai
- 5. M/s Sultan Travel & Recruiting Agent, Mumbai
- 6. M/s S.K. Enterprises, Mumbai
- 7. M/s Jasper International, Mumbai
- 8. M/s Samreen Travel, Mumbai
- 9. M/s Pasha Enterprises, Mumbai
- 10. M/s Al-Samit International, Mumbai
- M/s Al-Karim Overseas Cons. Trading Co. Pvt. Ltd. Mumbai
- 12. M/s Reliance Staffing Services, Mumbai
- 13. M/s R.K. Enterprises, Delhi
- 14. M/s A.J. International, Delhi
- 15. M/s Pride Travels, Moga
- 16. M/s Hans Agencies, Jalandhar
- 17. M/s Al-Rahman Associates, Delhi
- 18. M/s Shambros, Delhi
- 19. M/s Allied Enterprises, Cochin
- 20. M/s Athena Travels, Cochin
- 21. M/s K.V. Exports, Kollam
- 22. M/s Palakkal Associates, Cochin

## Nationalisation of Dimond Mines

- 3108. SHRI RAMESHWAR PATIDAR: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned 'CM's aboutturn on diamond mining' appearing in 'The Hindustan Times' dated November 13, 1996;
  - (b) the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government propose to nationalise the diamond mines with a view to earn maximum foreign exchange; and
  - (d) if so, the details thereof?